

## Health News Release

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## Pacific County: Residents of Chinook urged to boil their water

**OLYMPIA** — The Town of Chinook in southern Pacific County may soon run out of water.

The water supply to the town's water treatment plant was disrupted when a valve broke. Water district personnel are working to repair it. Meanwhile, customers are being served by stored water that operators believe may soon run out.

Reduced water pressure can allow contaminants to enter the water system. The state Department of Health urges residents to boil their tap water or use purchased bottled water for drinking, making ice, brushing teeth, preparing food, or washing dishes. Residents should heat their tap water to a rolling boil for one minute before use.

Water customers also are advised to conserve water until repairs are made.

Customers who have questions may call the Chinook Water District at 360-777-8770.

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